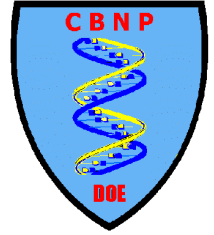


# DOE CBNP TRANSPORT & FATE



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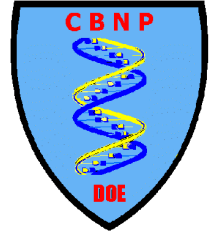
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Pacific Northwest  
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## THE MULTI-SCALE MODELING APPROACH

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- The airflow and dispersion problem in CBNP applications involve three spatial scales:
  - (1) Single to few building scale (few kilometers, minutes)  
*Individual buildings are explicitly resolved*
  - (2) Many building scale ( tens of kilometers, few hours)  
*Clusters of buildings are represented but not individual buildings*
  - (3) Urban scales (> 100 kilometers, many hours)  
*Buildings cannot be resolved and must be parameterized*
- Customized models with appropriate scale-dependent physics are used for each scale and data is transferred between the scales



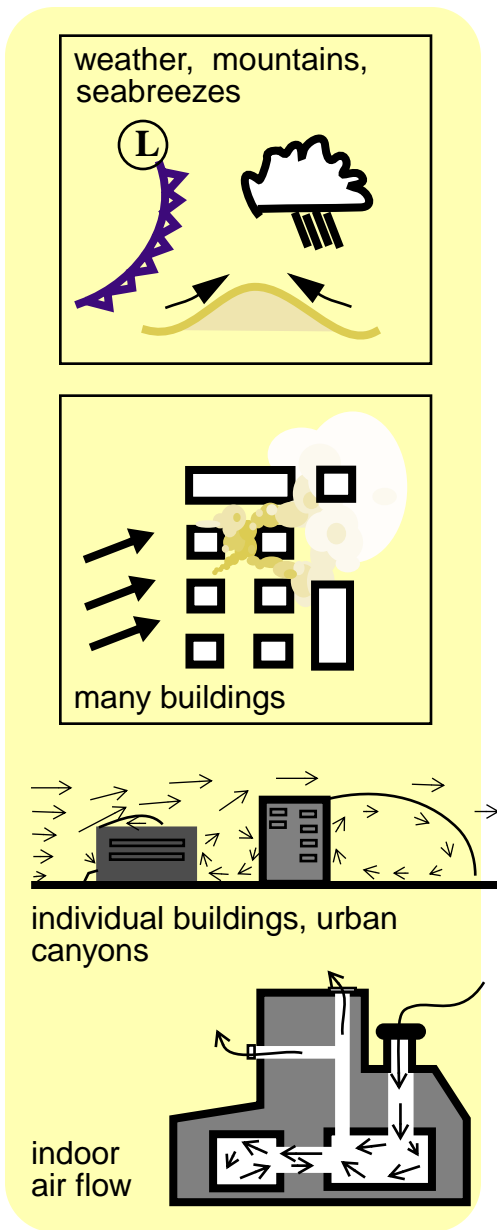
## THE CNBP PROGNOSTIC/CFD MODELS

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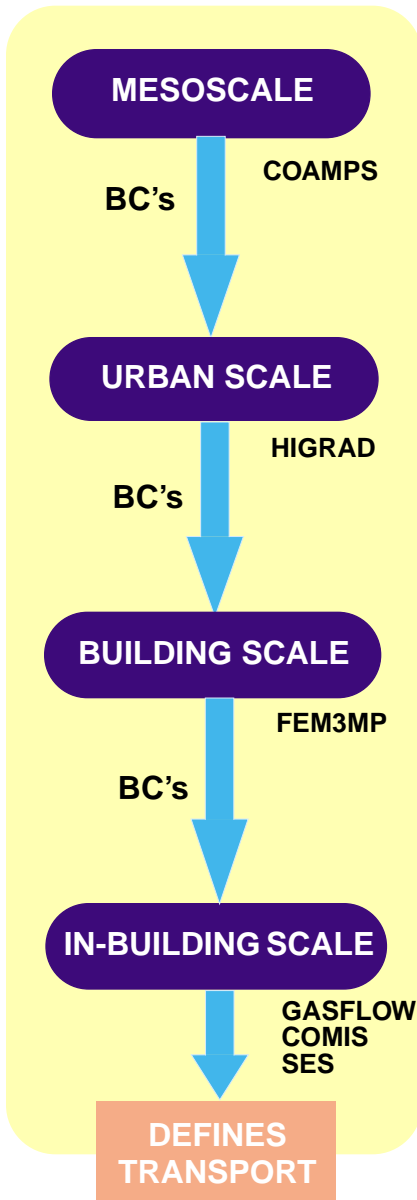
- **Few building scale - FEMCB/MP (developed at LLNL)**  
**Typical grid resolution for CNBP applications: 1 m - 10 m**
- **Many building scale - HIGRAD (developed at LANL)**  
**Typical grid resolution for CNBP applications: 10 m - 100 m**
- **Urban/Regional scale - COAMPS (developed at NRL)**  
**Typical grid resolution for CNBP applications: > 1 km**



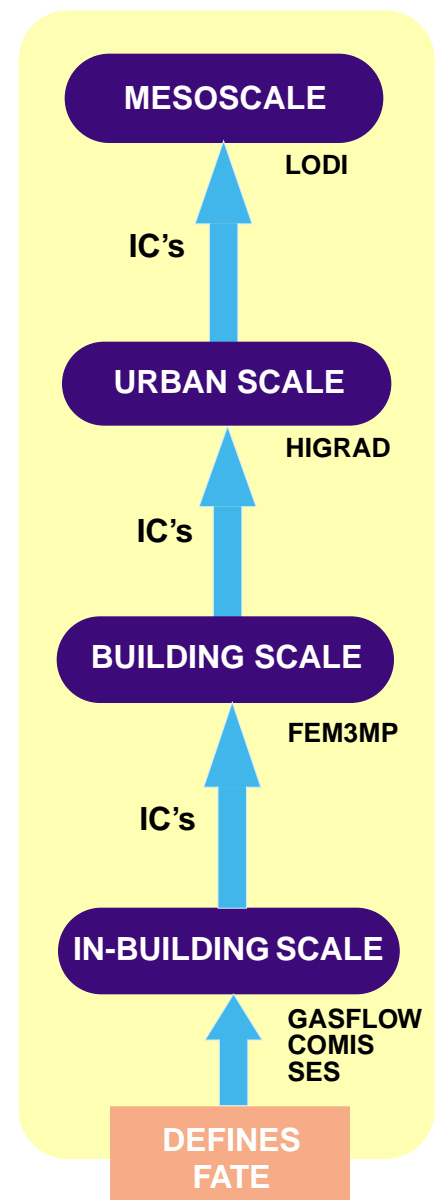
# DOE CBNP Multi-scale Modeling



## FLUID DYNAMICS MODELS



## PLUME DISPERSION MODELS



SOURCE TYPE

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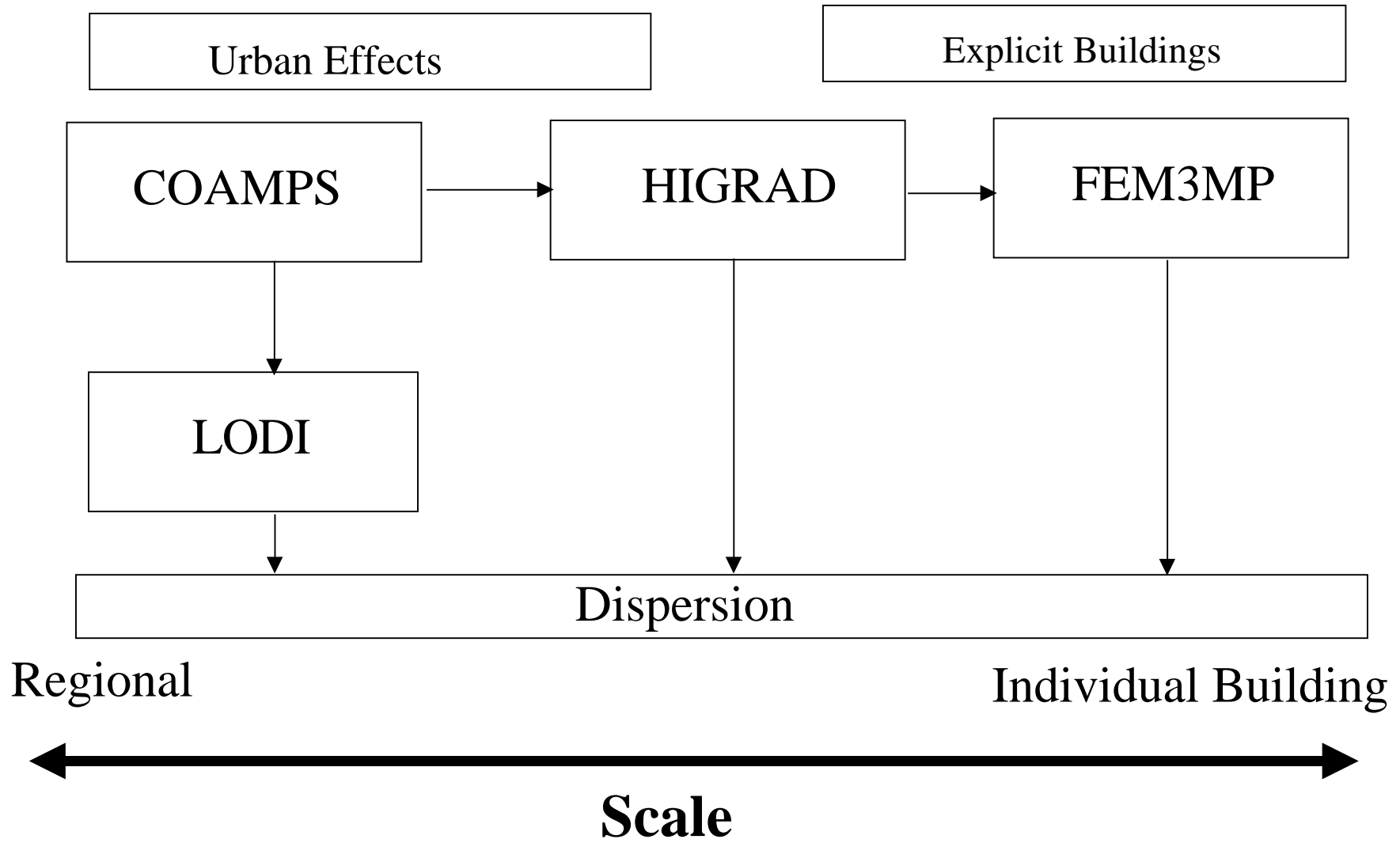
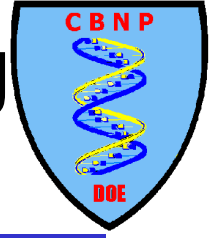
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# The integrated multi-scale modeling approach



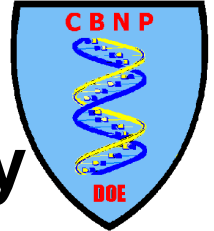






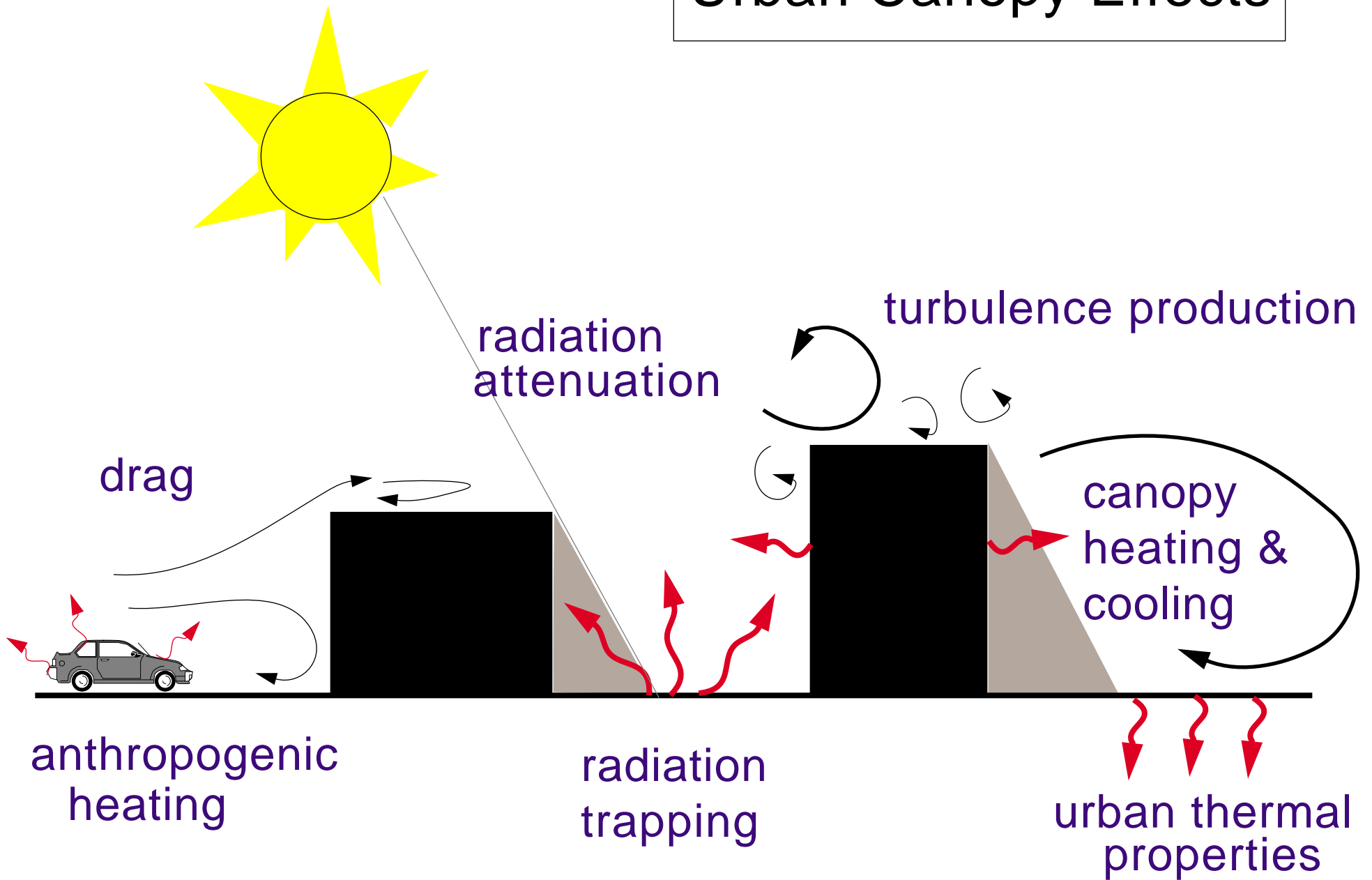
# Testing the Urban Parameterization: COAMPS simulations of a hypothetical city

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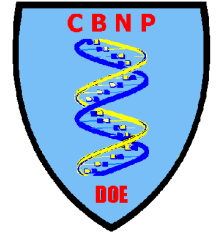


- 36 hour forecasts with and without the urban parameterization
- Initial conditions from NOGAPS, Dec 7 1999 at 1200 GMT (0500 MST)
- Three nests centered at Salt Lake City (40.78N, 111.888W),  $\Delta x=36, 12$  & 4 km
- Salt Lake City is represented as an idealized city
- The results are used to drive the dispersion model, LODI
- The results are also given to HIGRAD and FEM3MP teams for them to derive IC

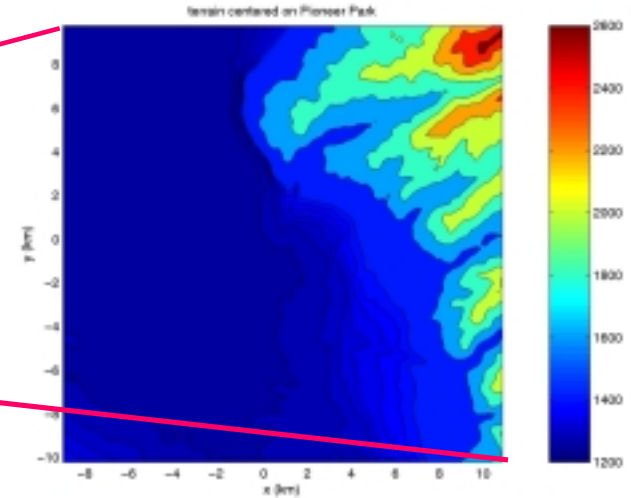
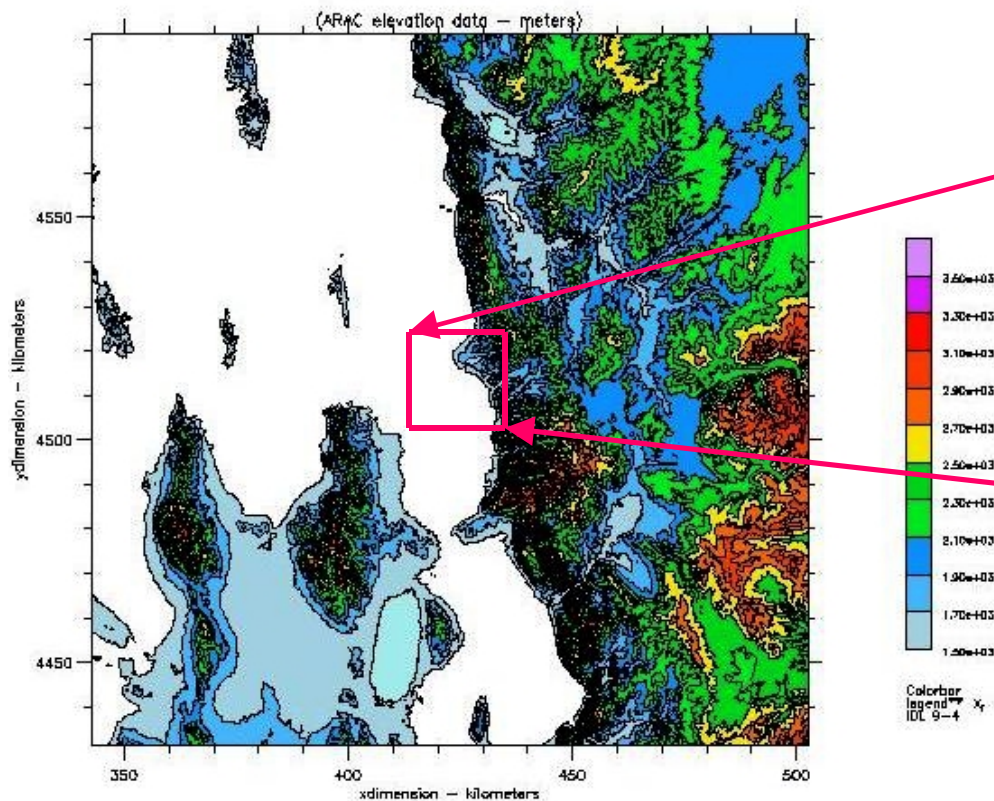
# Urban Canopy Effects







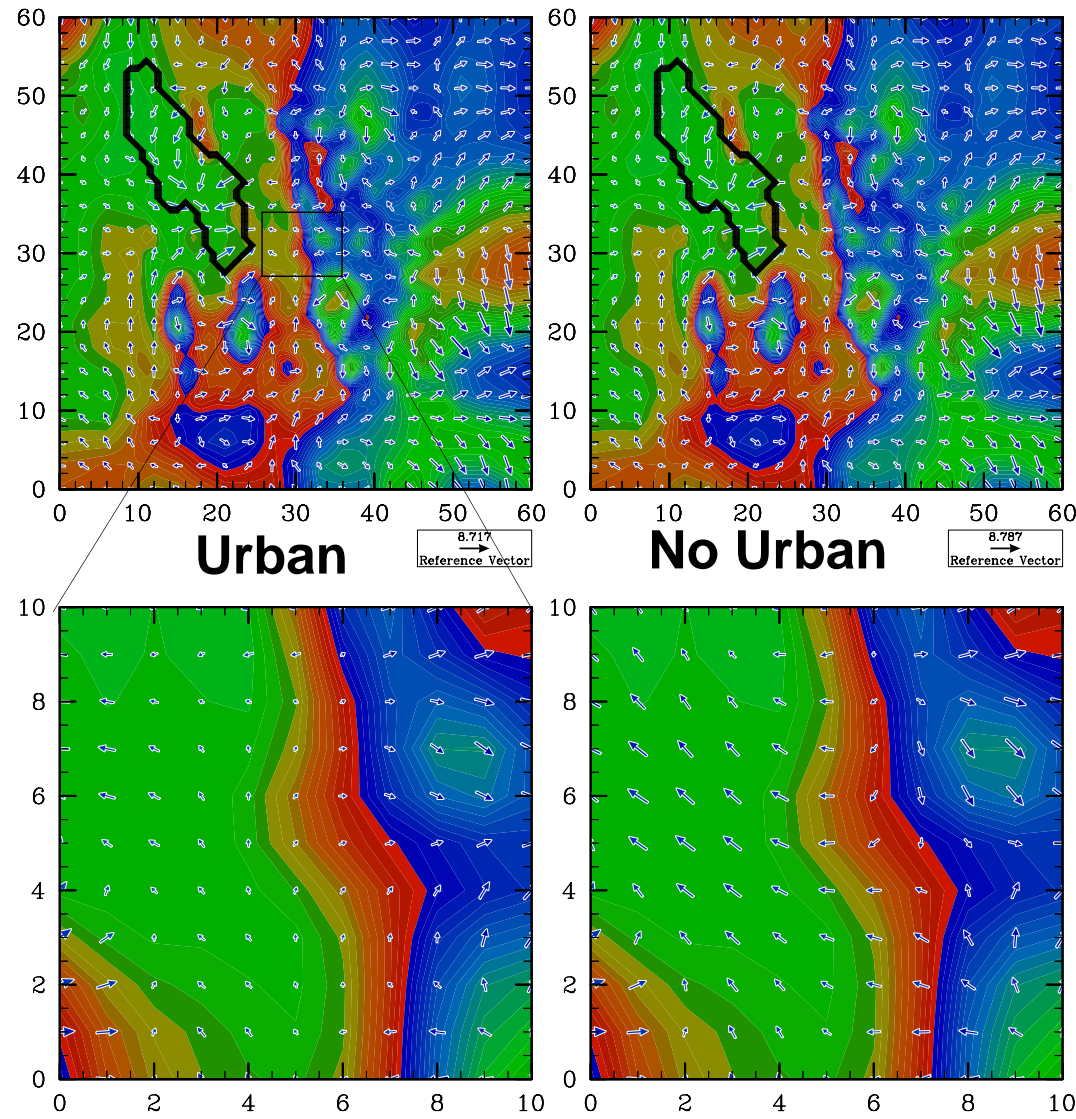
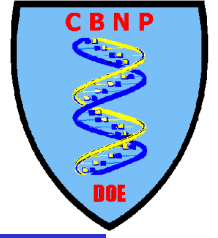
# TERRAIN IS IMPORTANT AT URBAN SCALE



TERRAIN AROUND SALT LAKE CITY AREA



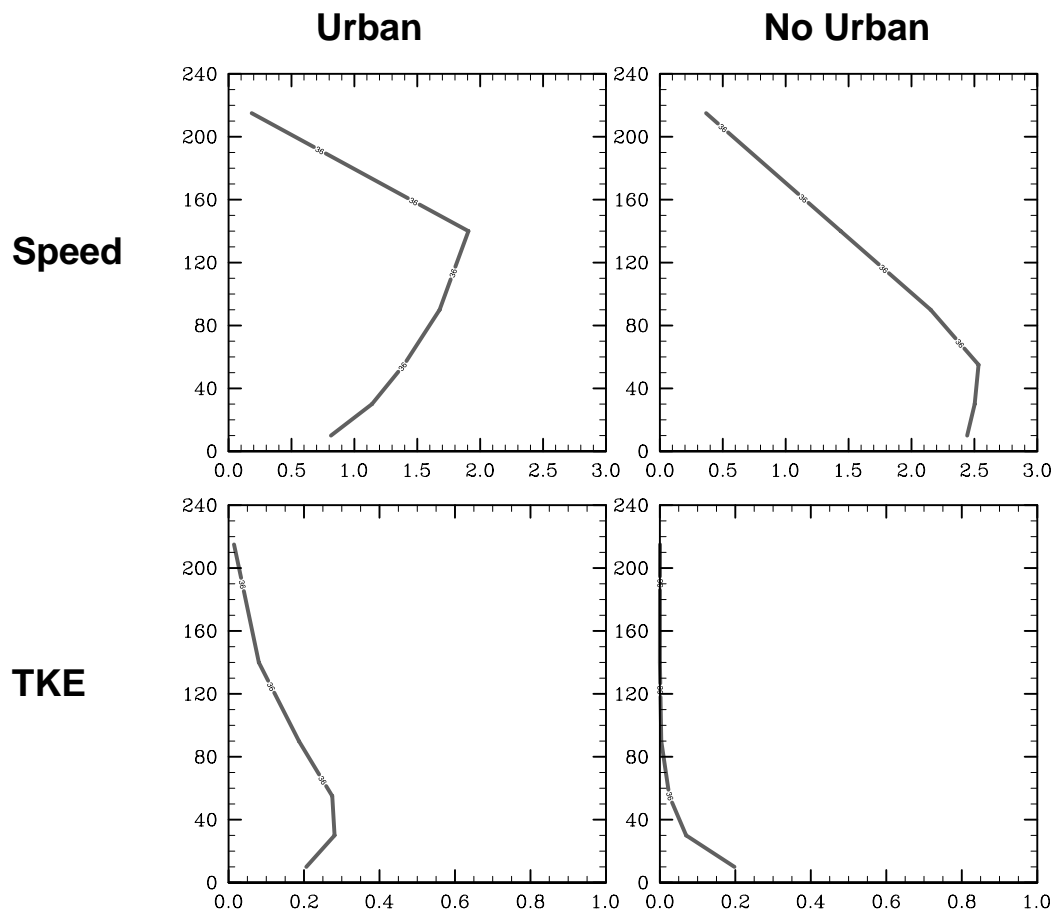
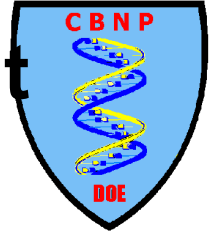
# The urban area modifies the transport winds



The Urban area disrupts the drainage flow



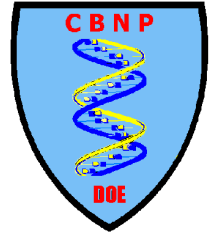
# The effects of the urban area are evident in the wind and turbulence profiles



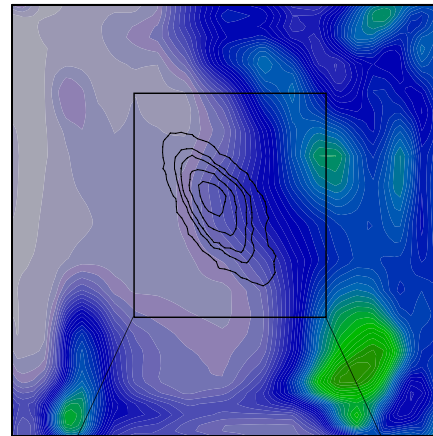
Close to the ground, the wind speed is less and turbulence is greater with the urban parameterization



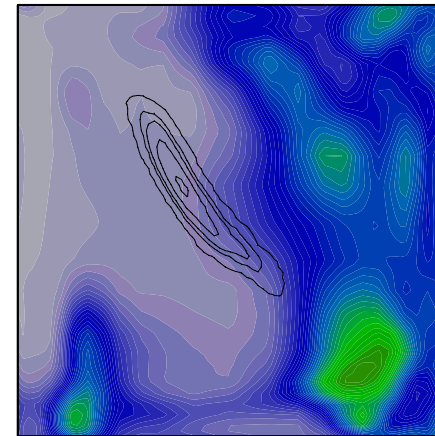
# Changes in the wind speed and pattern and turbulence level alter agent dispersion



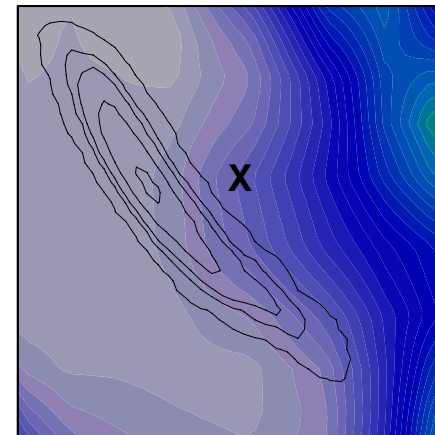
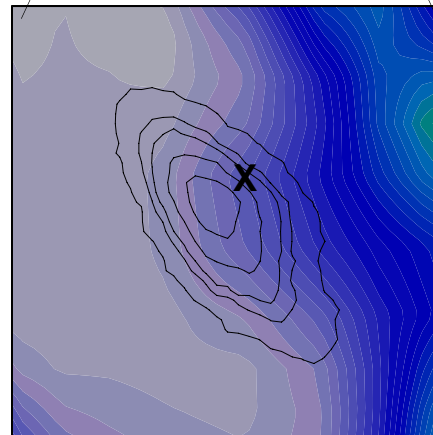
Concentration  
at 3 hours

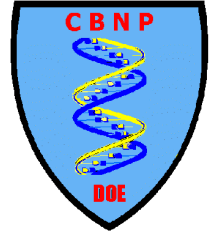


Urban



No Urban





## MANY BUILDING MODEL (HIGRAD)

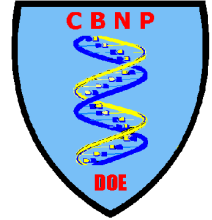
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- **Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) code with meteorological framework**
- **Finite difference approach with terrain-following coordinates**
- **2nd order numerics in space and time (MPDATA advection scheme)**
- **Computes on ASCI's massively parallel platforms & Beowulf clusters**
- **Current model physics:**
  - **Neutral (chem-bio) agents**
  - **Full radiation model**
  - **Surface heating and shading**
  - **Precipitation microphysics**
  - **LES turbulence model (Smagorinsky and tke)**





# Modeling and Prediction: The Many-Building Problem



## HIGRAD

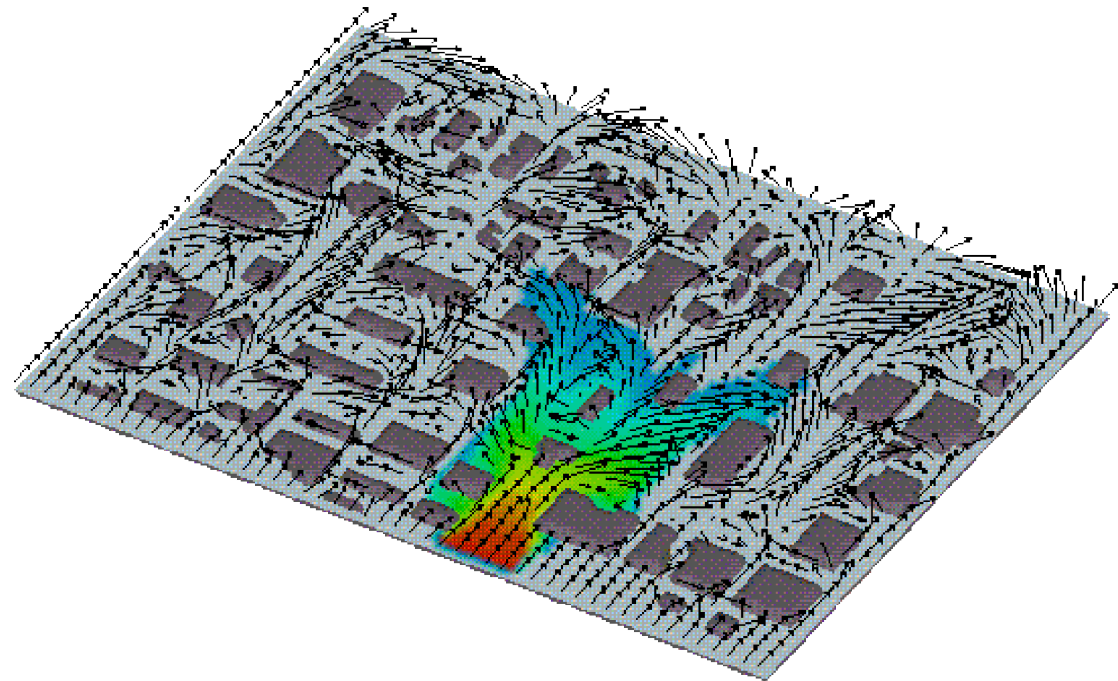
- High-gradient, advanced numerics 3D CFD code
- flow fields around obstacles and sharp corners

Engineering CFD

- + radiation ✓
- + land use
- + soil moisture
- + ....



Meteorological CFD



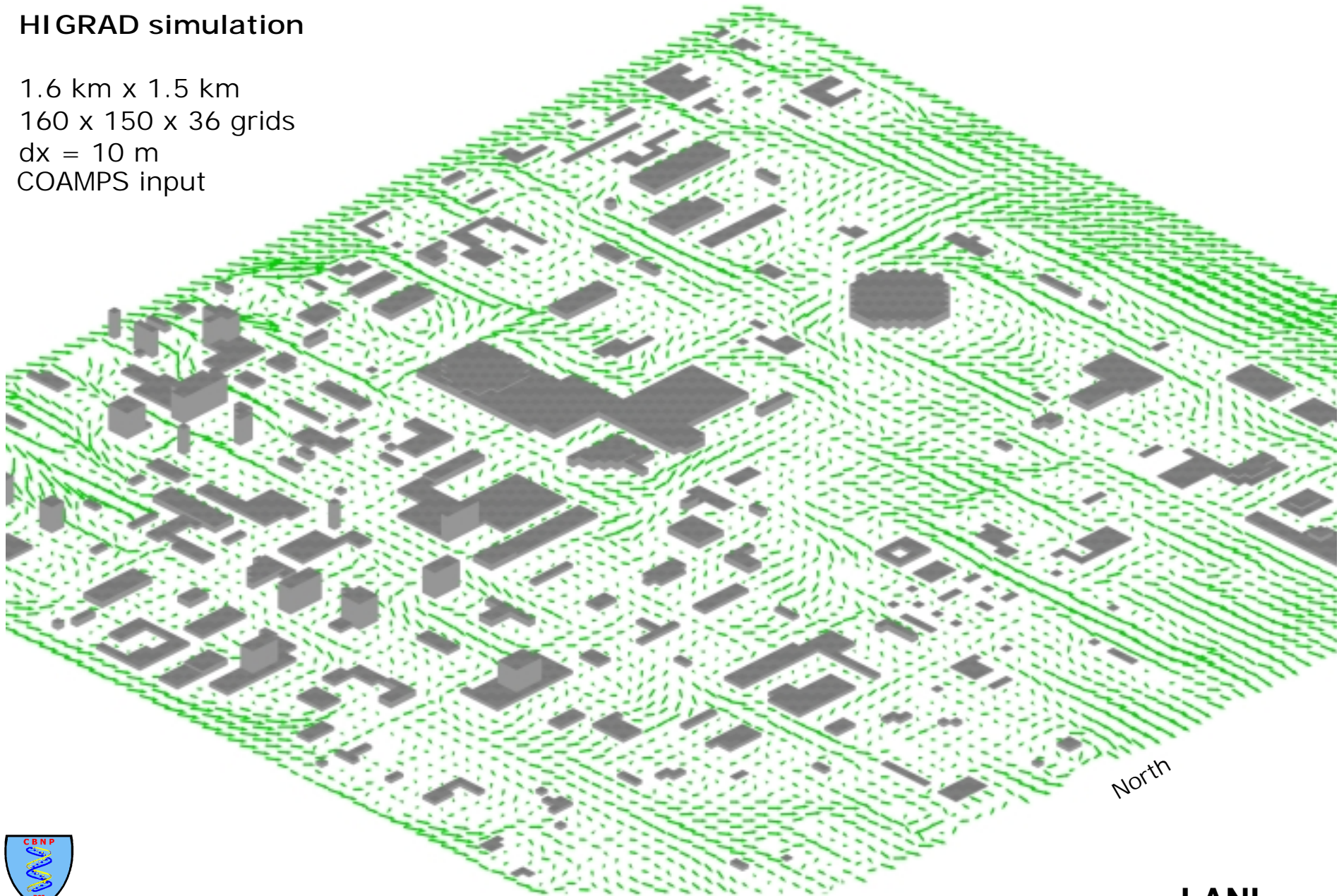




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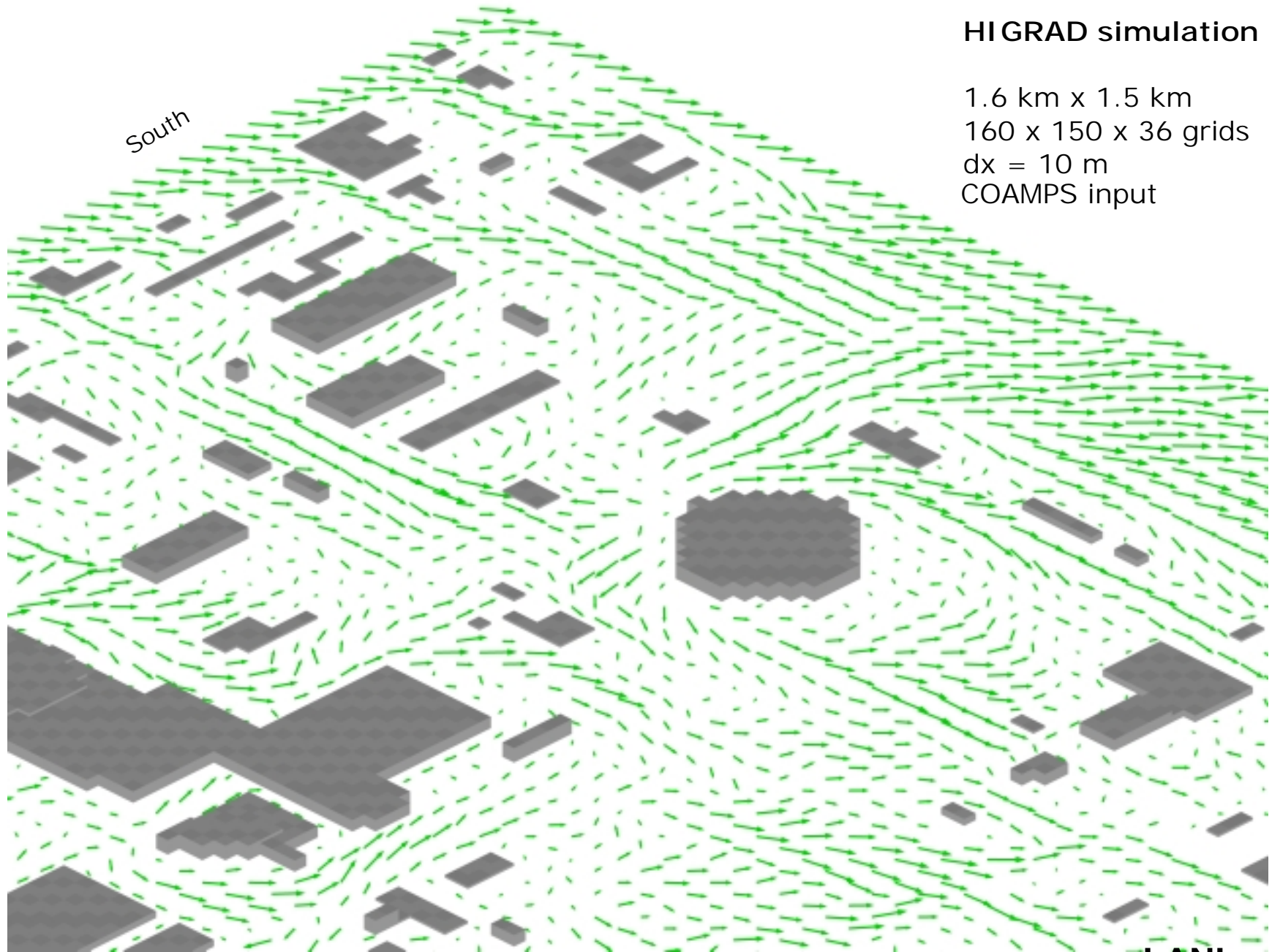
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160 x 150 x 36 grids  
dx = 10 m  
COAMPS input





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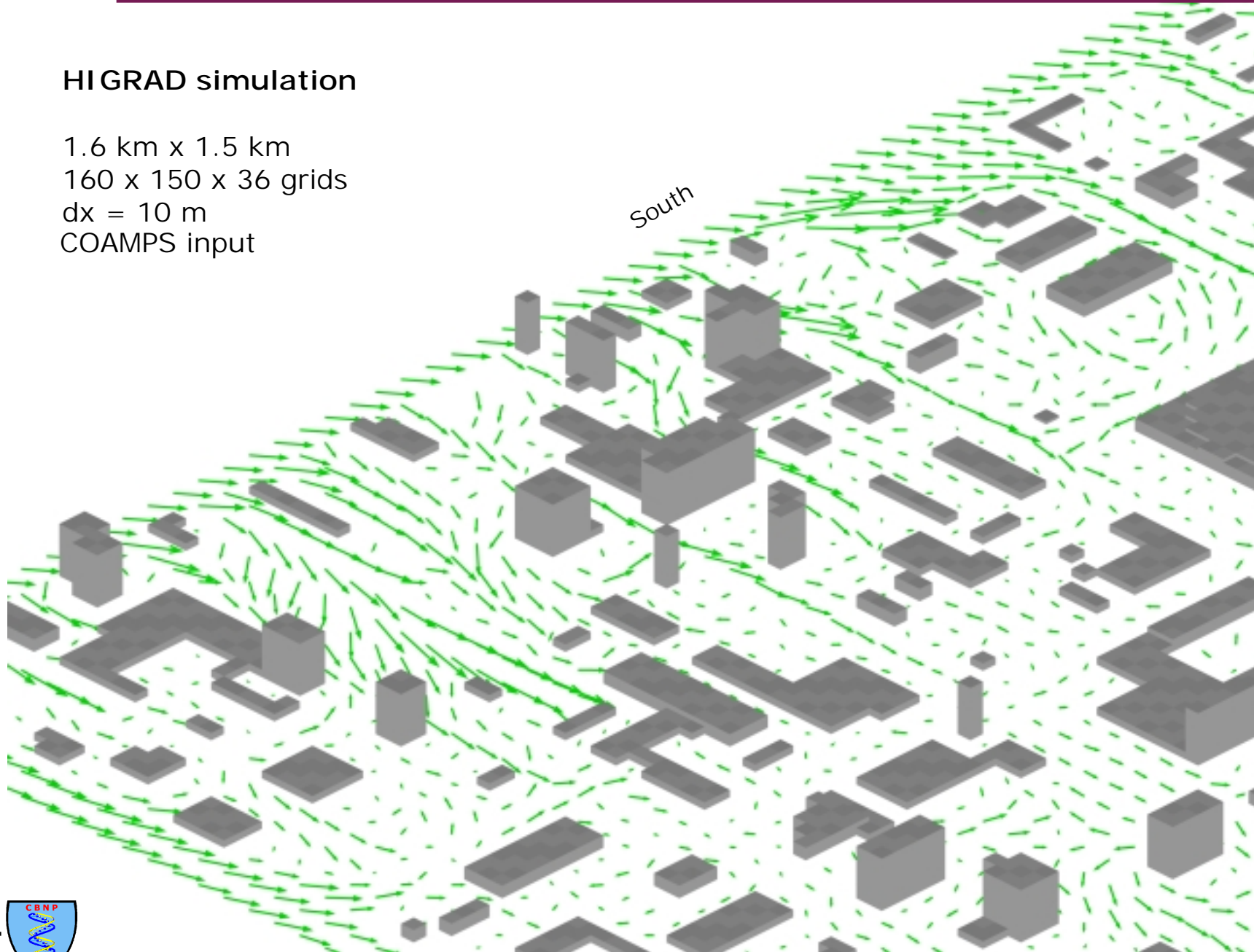




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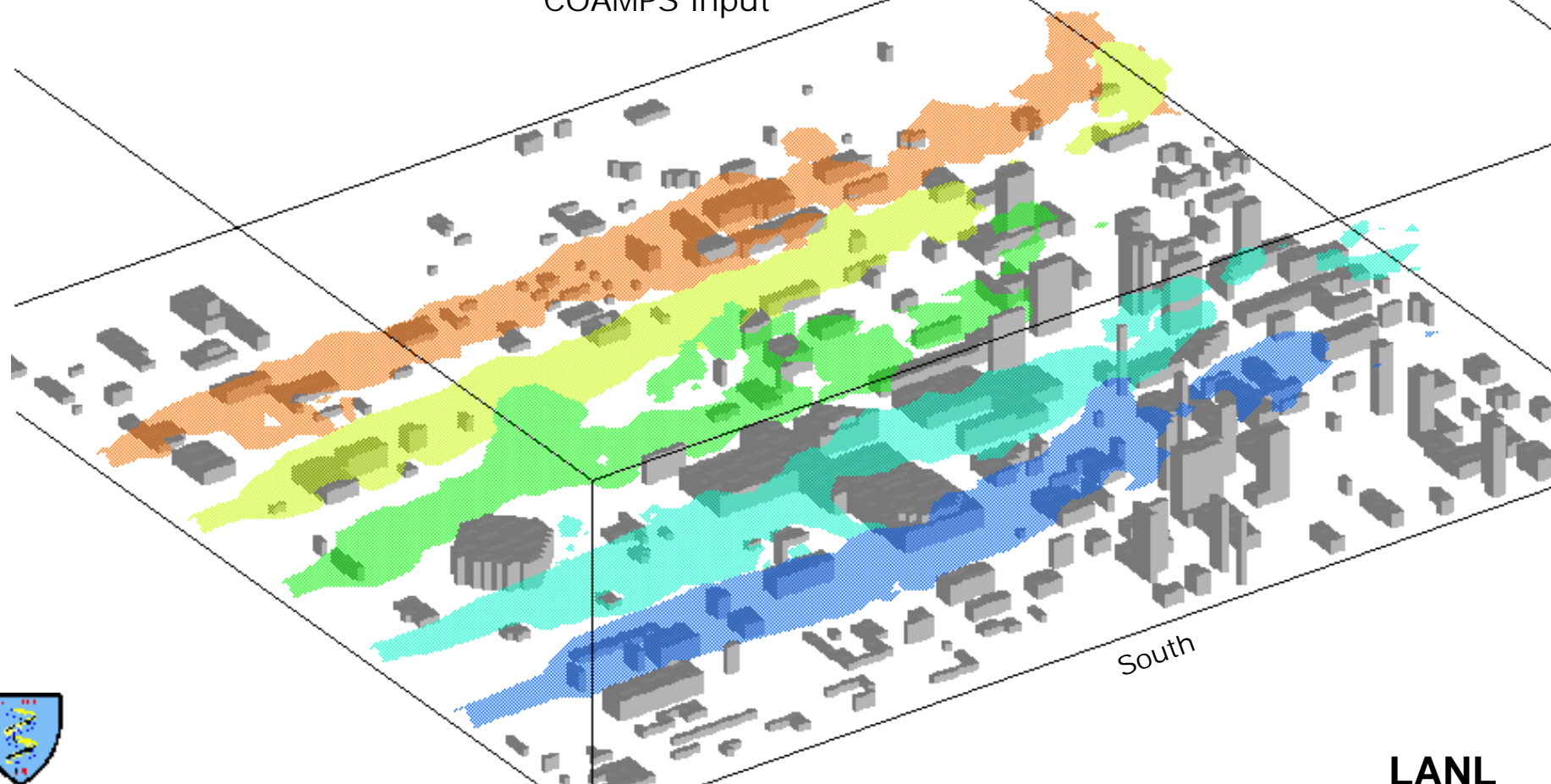




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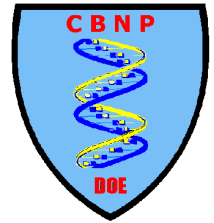
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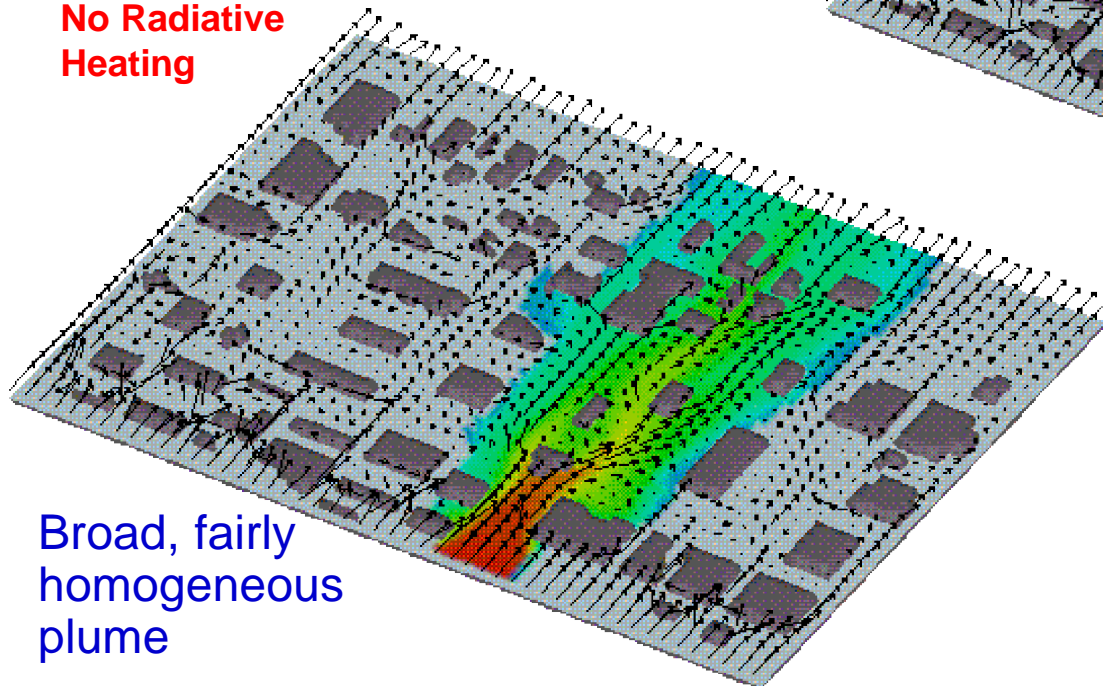
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## Radiative Heating and Transport

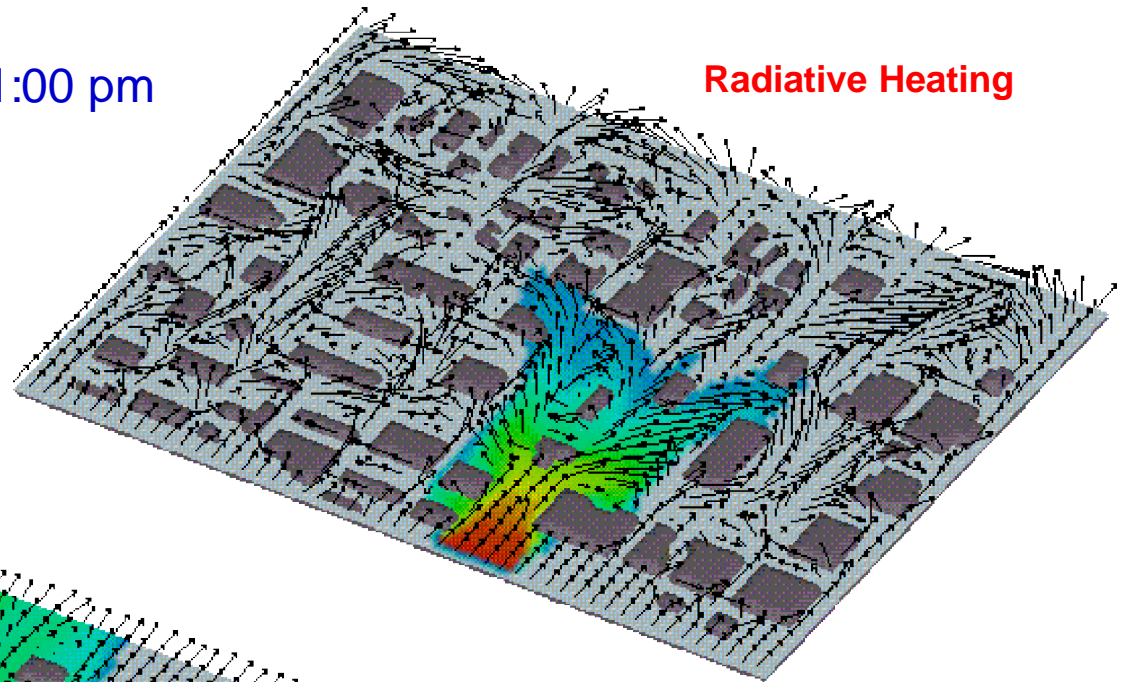
Time-integrated tracer patterns @ 1:00 pm

No Radiative Heating



Broad, fairly  
homogeneous  
plume

Radiative Heating

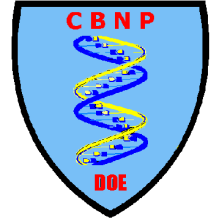


Plume bifurcates and lofts





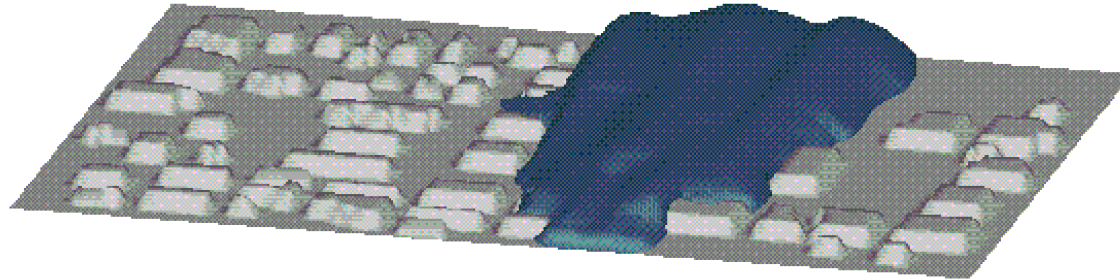
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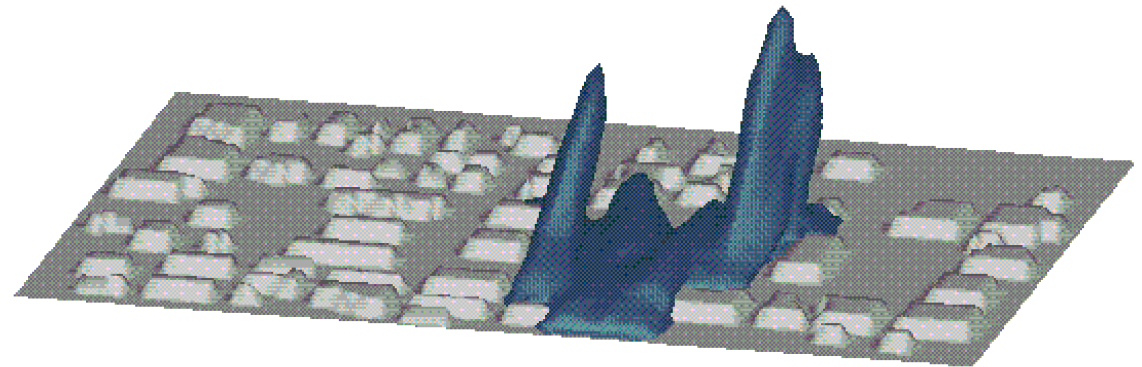
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No Radiative  
Heating



Broad, fairly homogeneous,  
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Radiative Heating

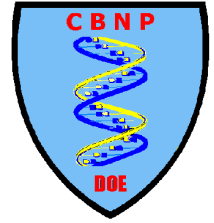


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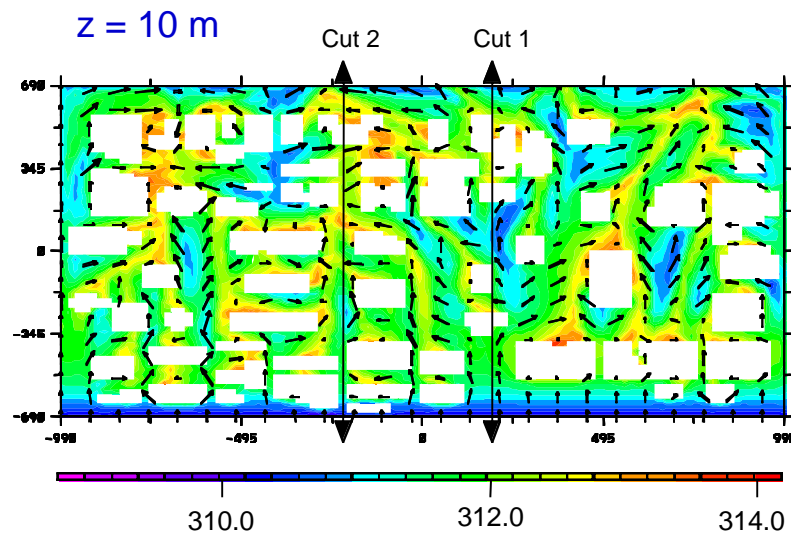


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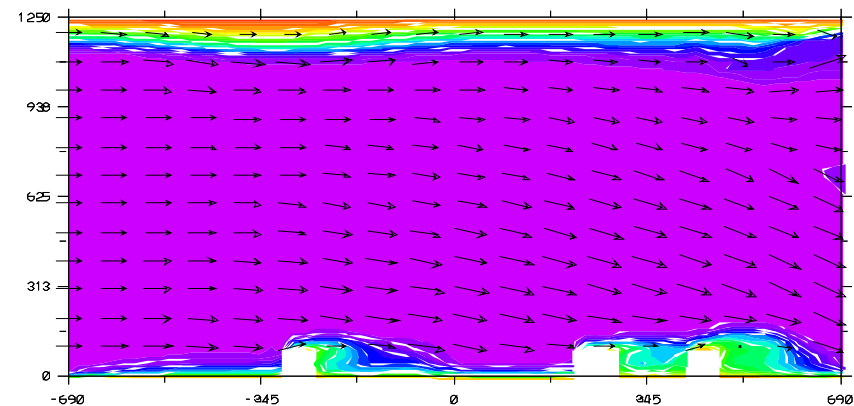


## Implementation of Radiation Package

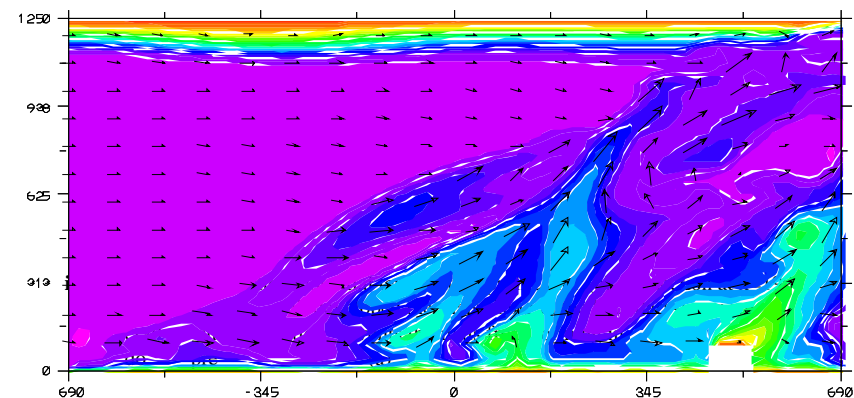
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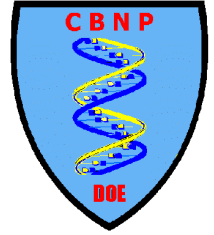
Vertical x-sections



Cut 1



Cut 2



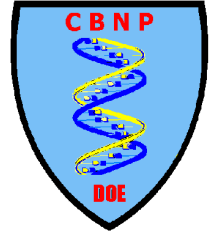
## FEW BUILDING MODEL (FEM3CB/MP)

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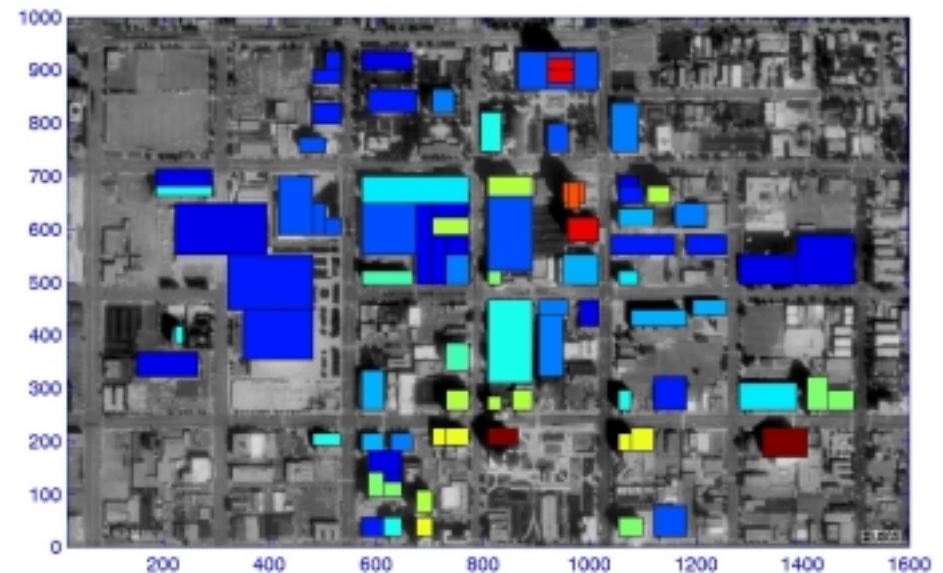
- **Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) code based on the finite element approach**
- **Flexible grid system capability including variable resolution, distorted meshes and explicit representation of terrain**
- **Capability of resolving individual buildings in great detail or few buildings at varying resolutions**
- **Computes on ASCI's massively parallel platforms**
- **Current model physics:**
  - **Neutral (chem-bio) or heavier-than-air (chemical) agents**
  - **Aerosol physics**
  - **Surface heating and shading**
  - **Tree canopy parameterization**
  - **Reynolds-averaged (RANS) and Large Eddy Simulation (LES) turbulence models**
  - **First order UV degradation submodel**



## SIMULATIONS OF FLOW AND DISPERSION AROUND CBNP FIELD OBSERVATION AREA

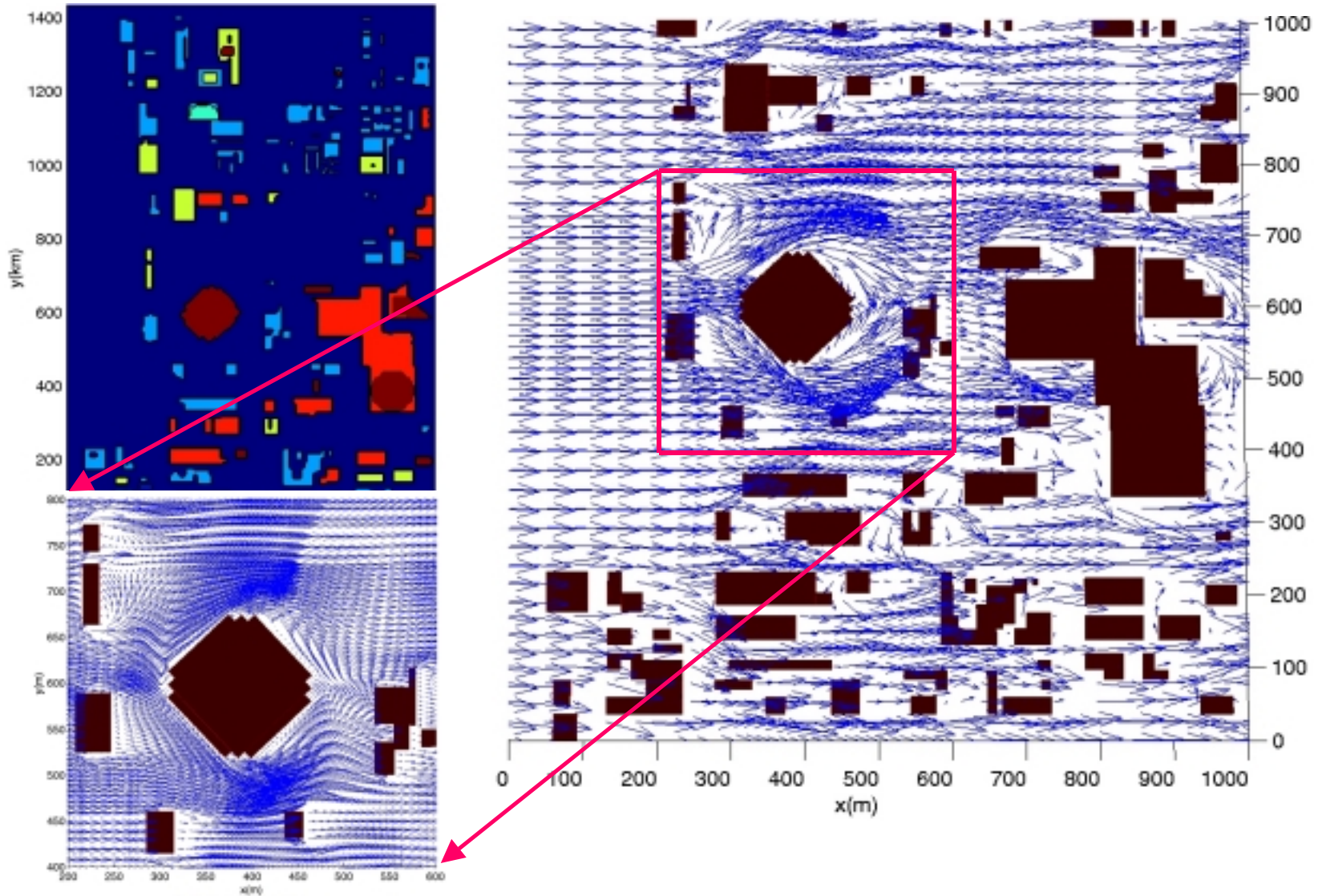
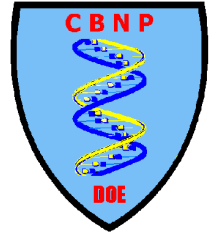


- **Atmospheric conditions:**
  - Southeast wind
  - Wind profile taken from HIGRAD calculation
  - Neutral stability
- **Graded finite element mesh:**
  - Building locations from satellite photos (heights from shadows)
  - Domain size - 2.4 km x 2 km x 300 m
  - Grid size - 1.2 million grid points (200 x 148 x 40)
  - Minimum grid resolution - 2 m
- **Release scenario:**
  - Instantaneous surface releases
  - 3 downtown locations





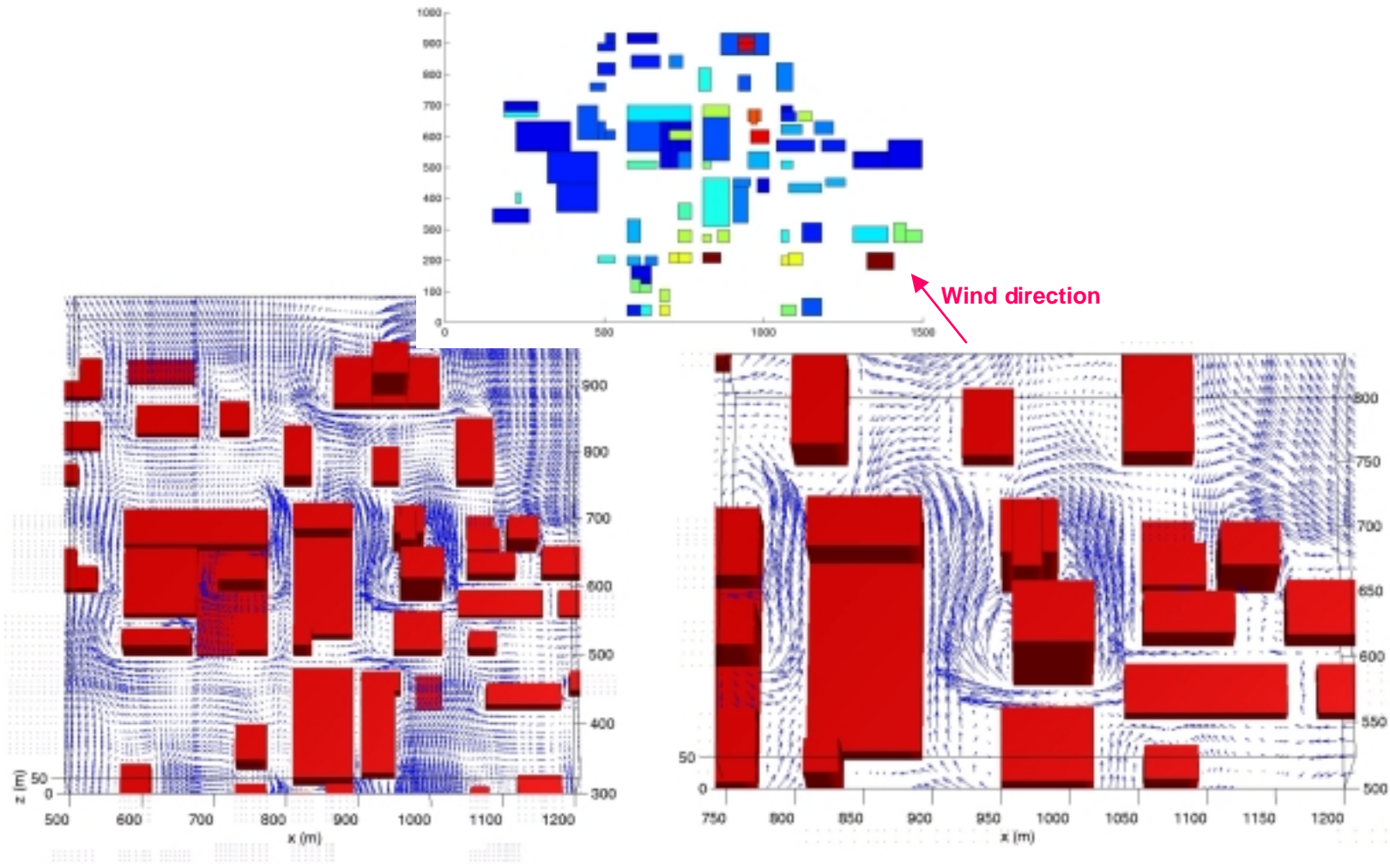
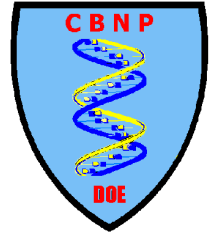
## WE ARE DEVELOPING A GRID NESTING CAPABILITY IN SUPPORT OF CBNP's SALT LAKE CITY FIELD EXPERIMENTS







## HORIZONTAL CROSS-SECTIONS OF THE WIND FIELD AT 10 m ABOVE SURFACE

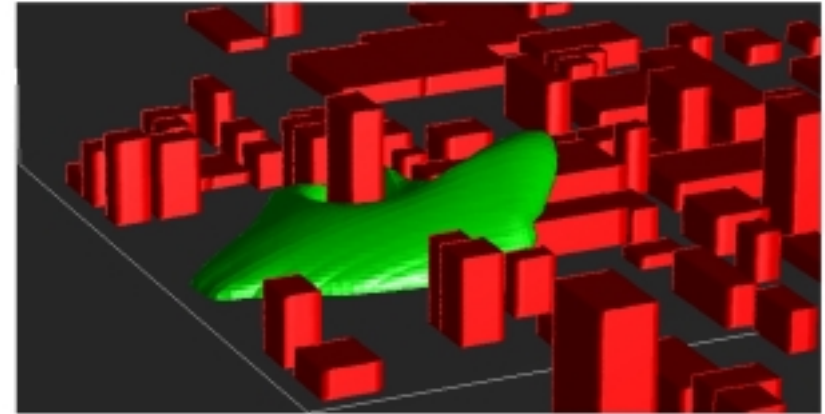
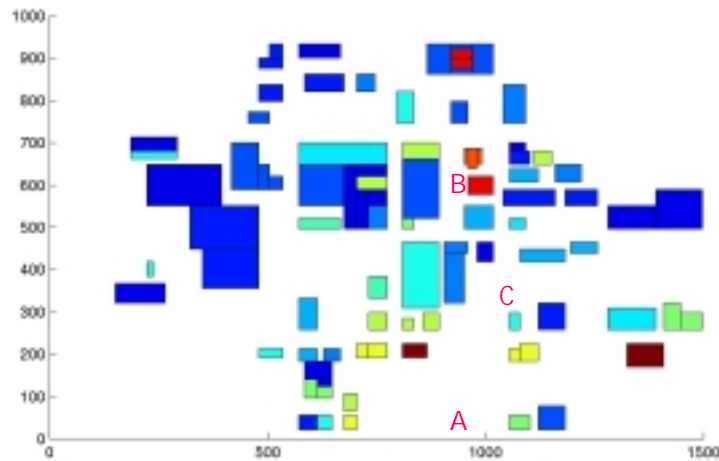
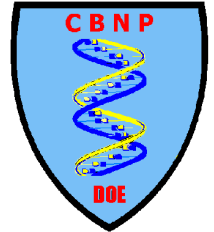


Wind pattern around downtown office complex

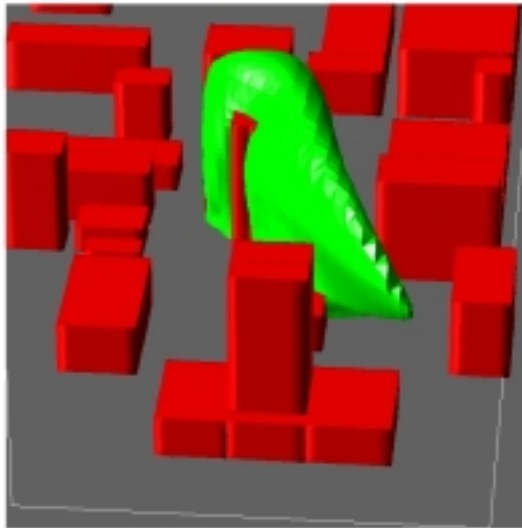
Close-in wind pattern around office towers



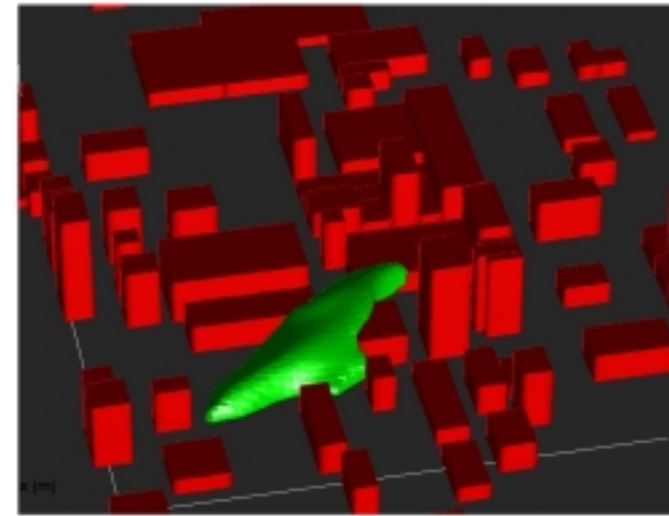
## DISPERSION PATTERNS FOR SURFACE RELEASES AT VARIOUS DOWNTOWN LOCATIONS AT 300s AFTER RELEASE



Release south of downtown (A)



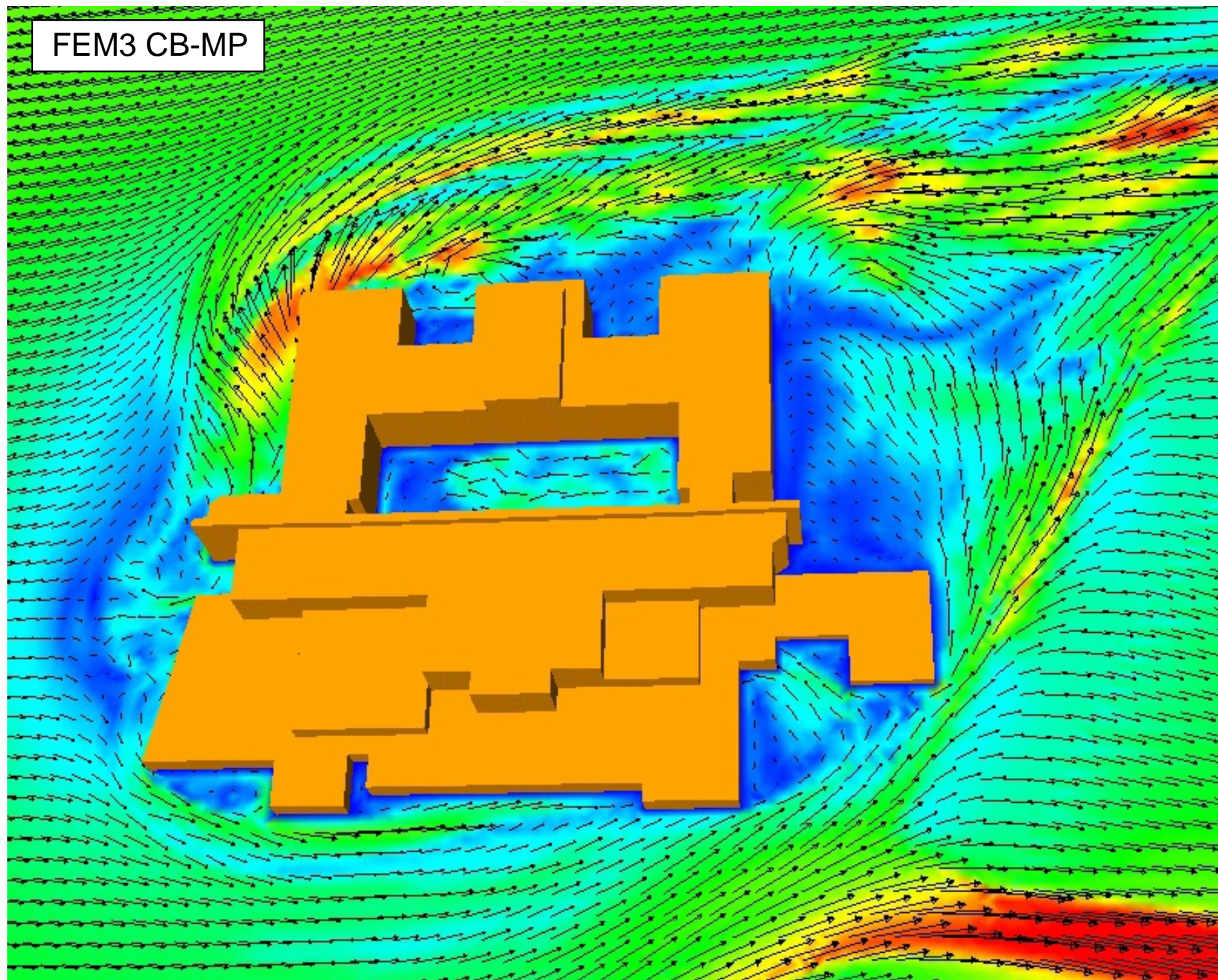
Release in front of Mormon office tower (B)



Release southeast of downtown (C)



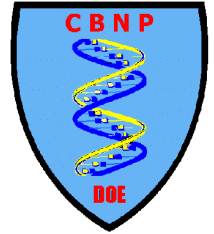
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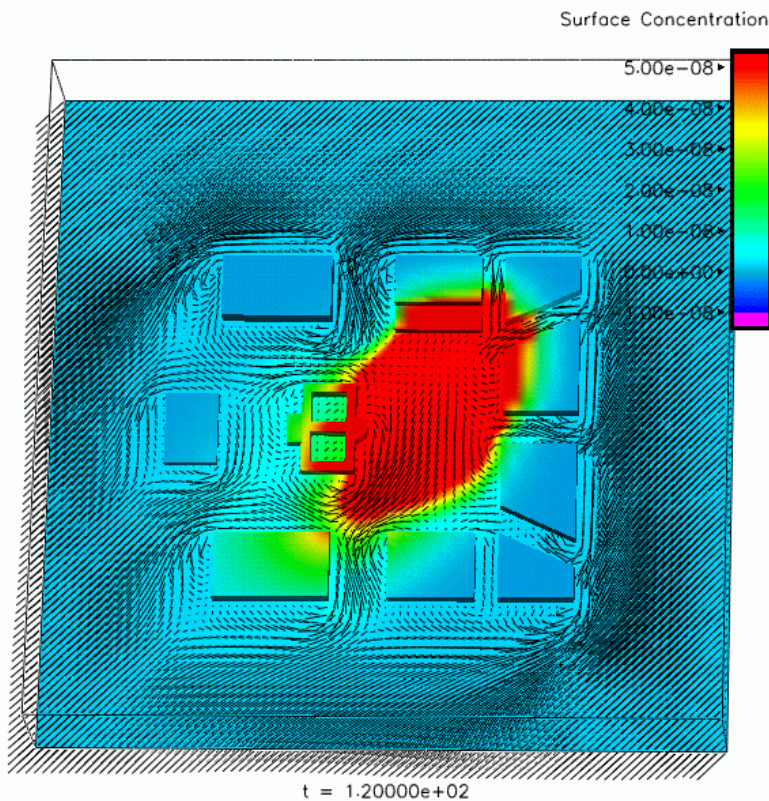




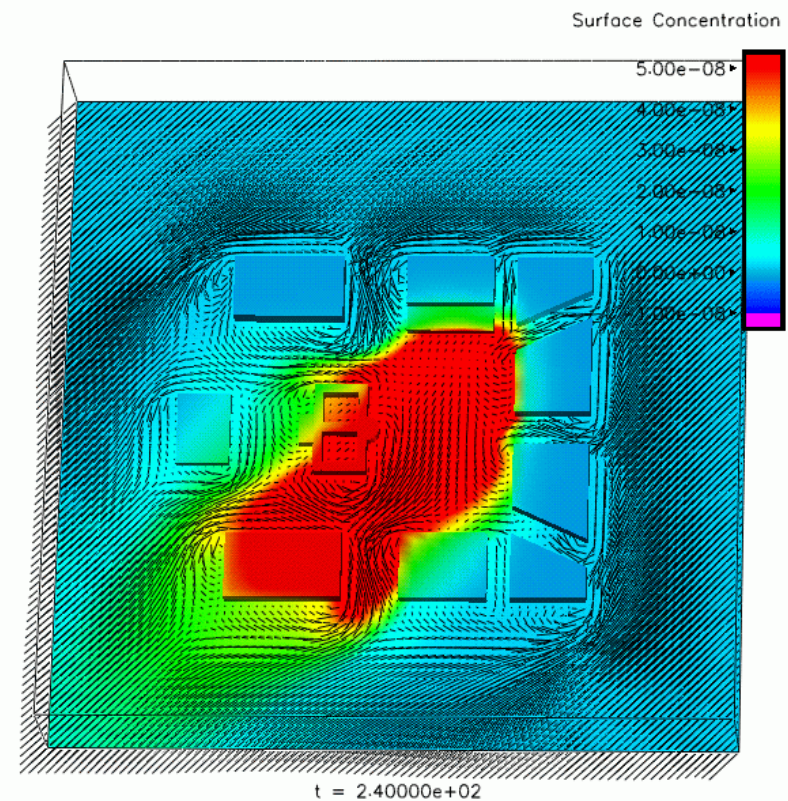
# BUILDING SCALE DISPERSION SIMULATION



## FEM3 CB-MP



Surface concentration pattern at t = 120 s



Surface concentration pattern at t = 240 s